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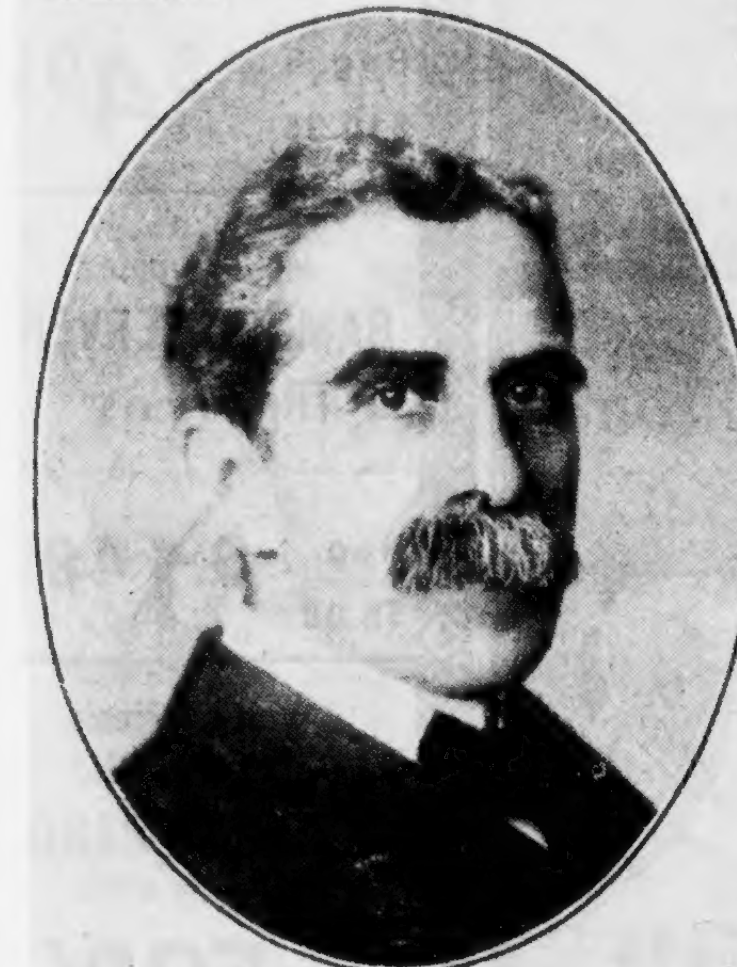
By S. ROBERT POWELL

Mayfield, Richmondale and Vandling are but three of the many area communities, towns, cities and boroughs that were named after important nineteenth-century industrialists from the area.

MAYFIELD

The borough of Mayfield was named after William A. May, General Superintendent of the Hillside Coal and Iron Company and General Manager of the Pennsylvania Coal Company. In addition, May was affiliated with the New York, Susquehanna and Western Coal Company, the Schuylkill Anthracite Coal Company, the Board of Trade Building Company (Vice President), and the Walburn Land Company (Secretary and Treasurer).

May was born in Haldaysburg, PA, in 1850; he was educated at Lafayette College. In 1878, he married Emma L. Richards.



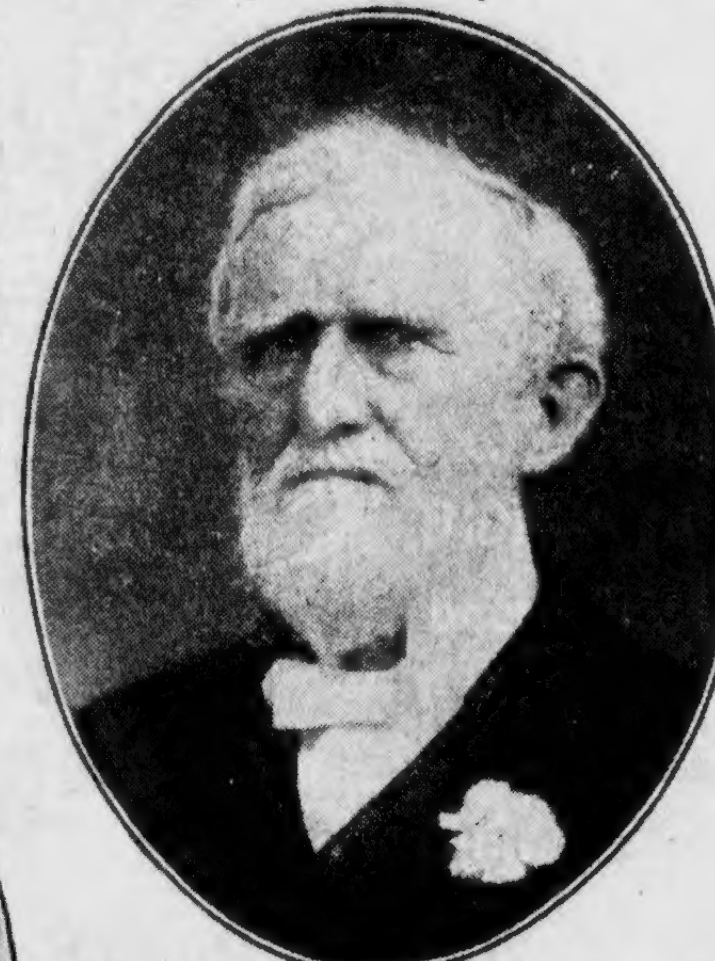
William A. May

The original name of the borough of Mayfield was Glenwood, the village clustering about the works of the Glenwood Coal Company. In 1888, the borough was renamed Mayville, in honor of William A. May. Two years later, on May 12, 1890, the name of the borough was changed to Mayfield.

RICHMONDALE

Richmondale was named after

William Henry Richmond, who was born in Marlborough, Hartford County, Connecticut, in 1821, and educated in private schools. He was a merchant and coal operator who began conducting business in Pennsylvania in 1842. He was a member of the Lackawanna Bible Society (Treasurer), the American Institute of Mining Engineers, the American Jersey Cattle Club and the U.S. Geographical Society.



William Henry Richmond

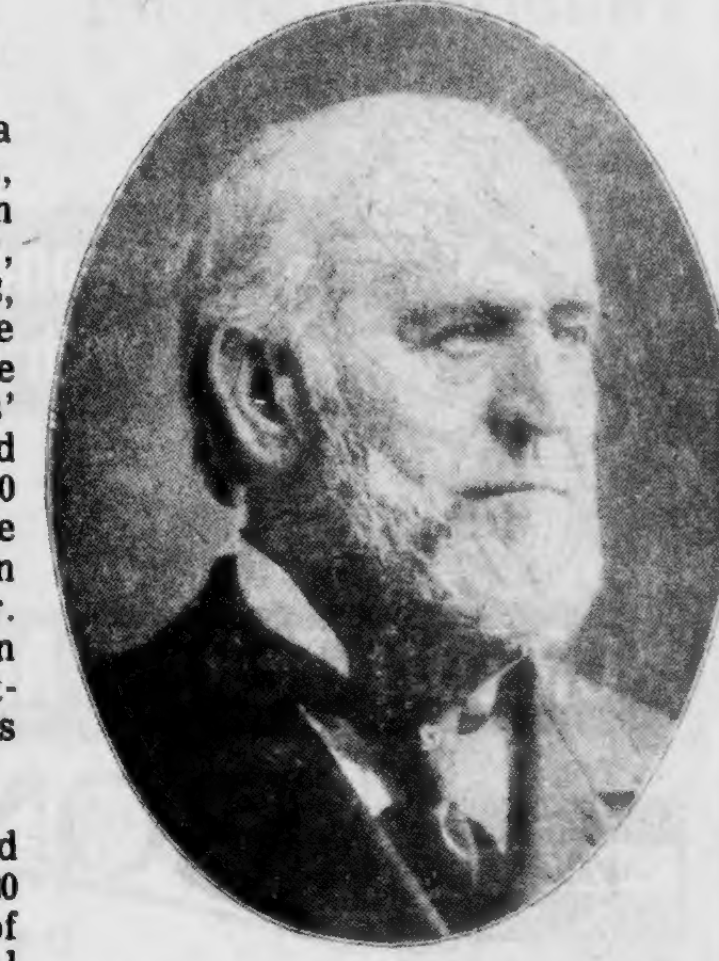
In 1849, he married Lois Roxanna Morss, the daughter of G.L. Morss, whose stately mansion still stands in Simpson. Richmond's father-in-law, G.L. Morss, purchased control, in 1842, of what was originally called the Larillard Tannery (first built in the late 1830s) in Simpson. In 1855, Morss' Tannery was destroyed by a fire, and Morss rebuilt. The new building was 360 feet long and 50 feet wide. In 1880, the plant employed 25 men and had an annual output of 30,000 sides of leather. In 1853, Morss established a store in Simpson to accommodate the settlement that had grown up around his tannery.

VANDLING

The borough of Vandling was named after Abraham H. Vandling who for 20 years was General Superintendent of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company. He was born in Moresburg, PA, on November 13, 1824, and died on June 12, 1901. He was educated in the

public schools and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. On February 10, 1858, he married Jeanette du Bois. He was employed by the Pennsylvania Coal Company, under General Green, during its law suit with the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.

The borough of Vandling was established in 1899 because the residents were dissatisfied with their lack of representation in the affairs of Fell Township. The village of Vandling at that time had about 145 families in it, all dependent on employment in the Delaware and Hudson and Hillside Coal and Iron Company mines that were located in and around the village. Simpson, at the lower end of the township, with its greater population, dominated the government of the township. The citizens of Vandling contended that while one-sixth of the revenue of the township came from Vandling, no attention was paid to the school, highways and other needs of the village. The petition asking for the creation of the borough was presented to court on May 27, 1899. The village was represented as having 110 houses, a school, a post office, four mercantile establishments and three hotels. The petition was approved by the court on November 14, 1899.



Abraham H. Vandling